SEP 1 8 2006

MODIFIED PTO/SB/08 (08-00)
Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE and to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, opersons are recontrol number.

Substitute for form 1449B/PTO INFORMATION DISCLOSURE

STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

Date Submitted: September 18, 2006

(use as many sheets as necessary)

Sheet 1 of

Complete if Known				
Application Number	10/787,139			
Filing Date	02/27/2004			
First Named Inventor	Yoshinobu YAMAKITA			
Group Art Unit	2617			
Examiner Name	Sheila B. Smith			
Attorney Docket Number	038440-0106			

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS						
		U.S. Patent Document		Name of Ostantas or Applicant of	Date of Publication of	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant
	Cite No.1	Number	Kind Code ² (# known)	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
	-					

UNPUBLISHED U.S. PATENT APPLICATION DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	U.S. Patent Application Document		Name of Patentee or Applicant of	Filing Date of	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant
		Serial Number	Kind Code ² (if known)	Cited Document	Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
•						
		•				

			F(DREIGN PATENT DOCUMEN			
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Foreign Pate Office ³ Numb	ent Document Br4 Kind Code ³ (if known)	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Documents	Date of Publication of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T⁰
SS	B1	11-26147	4 JP	TOSHIBA CORPORATION	09-24-1999		Abst
] 	
							1

10/99/07

NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS				
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.) date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	τ°	

		<u> </u>	
Examiner	/Sheila Smith/	Date	11/26/2006
Signature		Considered	

^{*}EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 809. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the Individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

¹ Unique citation designation number. ²See attached Kinds of U.S. Patent Documents. ³Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). °For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WiPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. ⁴Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached..